UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Douglas E. Arpert

v. : Mag. No. 20-6003 (DEA)

ERIC BERNING : CONTINUANCE ORDER

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Craig Carpenito, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by Michelle S. Gasparian, Assistant United States Attorney), and defendant Eric Berning (by Brian P. Reilly, Esq.), for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter from the date of this order through November 25, 2020, and the defendant being aware that he has the right to have the matter submitted to a grand jury within 30 days of the date of his arrest pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(b), and the defendant through his attorney having consented to the continuance, and no prior continuances having been granted by the Court; and for good and sufficient cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

1. Plea negotiations may soon commence, and both the United

- States and the defendant seek time to achieve a successful resolution of these negotiations, which would render trial of this matter unnecessary;
- 3. Defendant has consented to the aforementioned continuance;
- 4. The grant of a continuance will likely conserve judicial resources; and
- 5. Pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code,
 Section 3161(h)(7), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

IT FURTHER APPEARING that the parties request that the Court's Standing Order 20-12 (COVID) be entered in this matter.

WHEREFORE, it is on this Hth day of August, 2020,

ORDERED that the proceedings scheduled in the above-captioned matter are continued from the date of this Order through and including November 25, 2020;

ORDERED that the period from the date of this Order through and including November 25, 2020, shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Standing Order 20-12 shall be docketed and entered in this matter for good cause shown.

> HONORABLE DOUGLÁS E. ARPERT United States Magistrate Judge

Consented and Agreed By:

Counsel for Defe

Michelle S. Gasparian

Michelle S. Gasparian

Assistant United States Attorney